

At the **ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING** of the **DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester on Tuesday, 25th May, 2010:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor L.M. Phillips) in the Chair.

Councillors D.J. Barrett, C.S. Biggs, R.M. Biggs, V. Black, A.J. Canning, A. Harries, T.C.N. Harries, L.E. Heath, C.M. Hebditch, S. Hosford, T. James, E.S. Jones, Trevor Jones, F.E. Kent-Ledger, A.J. Lyall, P.G. Mann, R.B. Potter and M.E. Rennie.

In attendance:

Reverend Vicky Thurtell, Mayor's Chaplain

Mr. T. Corban, Head of Dorset Youth and Community Service, Dorset County Council

APOLOGY for absence was received from Councillor M.A. Allwood.

6. **PRAYERS**

The Mayor's Chaplain opened the Meeting with a short prayer.

7. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 23rd March, 2010, copies of which had been circulated to all Members of the Council, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

8. **DORSET YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

The Council welcomed Mr. Tom Corban, Head of Dorset Youth and Community Service, who gave a presentation to Members on the work of the Service. Mr. Corban explained how the service provided for young people in Dorchester by way of supporting them, the development of locality teams and the joining up of provision.

Mr. Corban then responded to Members' detailed questions.

9. **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Mayor thanked Members and Officers for their support at the previous evening's Mayor Making ceremony and then went on to remind Members of the following forthcoming events:

- The Mayor's Civic Church Service to be held at St Peter's Church on Sunday 6th June, 2010 commencing at 10.30am.
- The Rifles Homecoming Parade to be held on Wednesday 16th June, 2010.
- Dorchester Carnival to be held on Saturday 19th June, 2010.

10. **QUESTIONS**

No questions had been received in accordance with Standing Order 12(3).

11. **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 29th MARCH, 2010**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 29th March, 2010 be adopted.

Minute 86(a) – Changes to the Parish Maintenance Unit Service – In response to a question the Town Clerk confirmed that the Policy Committee would consider whether to fund a Lengthsman scheme during the preparation of the Council's budget for 2010-11. It was reported that Bridport Town Council was engaged in a pilot project of the Lengthsman scheme.

Minute 87(a) – Charles Street – Request for Scoping Opinion – The Town Clerk informed Members that it was anticipated that a special meeting of the Council's Planning and Environment Committee would be held to consider the planning application for the development of the Charles Street site which had now been registered by the West Dorset District Council.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 29th March, 2010 be adopted.

12. **SELECTION COMMITTEE – 20th APRIL, 2010**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Selection Committee held on 20th April, 2010 be adopted.

Minute 2 – Membership of Committees – Councillor S.C. Hosford volunteered to fill the vacancy on the Dorchester Joint Burial Committee.

Minute 3 – Representation on Outside Bodies – Councillor L.E. Heath volunteered to fill the vacancy on the Dorchester Crime Prevention Panel. There was no volunteer to fill the vacancy on the Dorchester-Bayeux Society.

Minute 4 – Calendar of Meetings – 2010-11 – The Town Clerk circulated a revised Calendar of Meetings which had been amended to take account of the 2011 Council elections.

It was

RESOLVED

- (1) That Councillor S.C. Hosford be appointed to the Dorchester Joint Burial Committee for the 2010-11 Council Year.

- (2) That Councillor L.E. Heath be appointed to represent the Council on the Dorchester Crime Prevention Panel for the 2010-11 Council Year.

It was also

RESOLVED

- (3) That the Minutes of the Selection Committee held on 20th April, 2010 be adopted subject to the substitution of the revised Calendar of Meetings now submitted.

13. **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 26th APRIL, 2010**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 26th April, 2010 be adopted.

Minute 94(b) – Charles Street and Trinity Street – Traffic Management and Parking Scheme – A Member requested that Lancaster Road and Sydenham Way be added to the list of roads experiencing problems from long stay parked vehicles since the introduction of parking meters in the town centre to be considered by the Traffic Panel in due course.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 26th April, 2010 be adopted.

14. **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – 11th MAY, 2010**

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Management Committee held on 11th May, 2010 be adopted.

15. **POLICY COMMITTEE – 18th MAY, 2010**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Policy Committee held on 18th May, 2010 be adopted. The Chairman of the Committee informed Members of the possible future ramifications for the Council in respect of Dorset County Council and West Dorset District Council possibly having to reduce service levels in the light of the proposed freeze on Council Tax levels.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Policy Committee held on 18th May, 2010 be adopted.

16. **CHEQUE SIGNATORIES**

It was

RESOLVED

That Councillors R.M. Biggs, A.J. Canning, T.C.N. Harries, C.M. Hebditch, E.S. Jones, F.E. Kent-Ledger, R.B. Potter and M.E. Rennie be authorised to sign cheques issued on behalf of the Council during the period ending with the Annual Council Meeting in 2011.

17. **CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES – 2010-11**

In accordance with Standing Order 39 it was

RESOLVED

- (1) That Councillor A.J. Canning be appointed Chairman and Councillor R.B. Potter be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Management Committee.
- (2) That Councillor F.E. Kent-Ledger be appointed Chairman and Councillor S.C. Hosford be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Planning and Environment Committee.
- (3) That Councillor Trevor Jones be appointed Chairman and Councillor R.M. Biggs be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Policy Committee.

The Council rose at 8.01pm.

Mayor